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New pay rates affect student employment

Shannon Gould

Assistant News Editor

New pay rates for both work study and regular employment have been implemented for the upcoming academic year. Last year, there were three levels of pay. Level one was \$5.05, level two was \$5.35, and level three was \$5.90. Now level one has been increased to \$5.20 in response to a federal increase in

minimum wage. Level two has increased to \$5.50, and level three has decreased to \$5.80. A fourth level, set at \$6.10, has been added for this year.

These changes are the results of a task force consisting of Dean of the College of Liberal Arts Paolo Cucchi, Vice President for Finance and Business Affairs Mike McKitish, Director of Financial Assistance Joyce Farmer,

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Problems won't cause significant delay in LAN

Derek Ziegler

Executive Editor

Problems with a subcontractor may set the University's new Local Area Network back several weeks, but they shouldn't prevent the first three residence halls from being operational in early October. Haselton, Baldwin, and Asbury Halls should be in service around Oct. 1, according to Assistant Vice President for University Technology Alan Candiotti.

That date is later than the initial target of late September but still within the time frame laid out by

Candiotti in a campus-wide e-mail last spring.

There are several reasons for the delay, Candiotti said. The conduits and wiring for the first three residence halls, in addition to Riker, Hoyt, and Embury Halls, were scheduled to be installed by Aug. 15 but were not completed on time due to construction difficulties. The installation should be completed within the next week, he said.

Still, some problems remain with the wiring in Haselton, Candiotti said. Michaels Electric,

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Convocation starts off new year



STEVE GARZA

Convocation, the annual welcome back ceremony, was held Tuesday, Sept. 2, 1997. Returning students looked on as professors in full academic regalia and the Class of 2001 processed through Baldwin Gym. Keynote speaker Professor of History Perry Leavell, gave the freshman some valuable college advice.

ResLife redefined: Steiner stresses shift of responsibility to students

Erik Robert Slagle

Senior Editor

In the words of Resident Assistant Casey O'Donnell, "If you're having a party, invite me!"

The days of, "It's an RA! Hide the beer," are a thing of the past, at least on a trial basis. As part of what Manager of Residence Life Andrew Steiner described as "a redefinition, a refocusing of how we (the Residence Life staff) want to be perceived," RAs are no longer forbidden to attend campus parties where alcohol may be served.

"It's long overdue," RA Dmitri Vovchuk said of this revision. "It's one of the biggest steps I've seen taken by the Residence Life department."

It is, in fact, a much smaller part of a larger-scale redefinition of the role of the Residence Life Department, according to Steiner. Another aspect of the revision was redefining the role of the Living Council.

"Living Council is not just a programming body," he said. "They should be a local government. Then it would not be just the RA or [Residence Director] facilitating the community, it would be the community facilitating the community."

"The juicier topic, of course, is what role RAs will play in enforcing University policy," Steiner said. "The meat of it is RAs being leaders by example in every way. Our ultimate goal is to create a community where there's such mutual respect that there isn't as much need for us."

RAs and party hosts alike appear happy with this new outlook on the role of Residence Life. Vovchuk said, "It puts the RAs in a better position. It's no longer an us-against-

you-type thing."

Paul DiNuzzo, a senior and resident of the Hoyt Triple, says the changes "make us all more responsible. We don't have to hide out like we used to. It's not as much cloak-and-dagger stuff."

"I don't think there have been any monumental changes [in the role of the RA]," Steiner said. "It's more of a better researched, better defined, more focused view of who we are and what we want to accomplish. The major point was to improve the prestige of the position and hopefully to improve the relationship between the residents and the RAs."

Riker/Haselton/Baldwin/Eberhardt Complex RD Mark Hazelbaker, who chairs the Central Advisory Committee for RAs, said the refocusing came largely from "listening to what students wanted."

He explained that over 500 comprehensive surveys were returned in the spring that asked residents how they felt about their RAs. The surveys were run through a computer and analyzed.

"What we saw [agreed with] a national trend trying to fight the idea of RA as enforcer as opposed to RA as an assistant," he said. "One of our main tasks then became to make [the position of RA] a much more human position. If we wanted Resident Enforcers we'd have REs instead of RAs."

The survey results were taken into account by the Task Force on Review of Student Life at Drew, a branch of the Presidential Planning Committee, which on May 1 issued a 30-page review.

"We recommend that the Office of Student Life and the offices of Residence Life, Public Safety, Fa-

cilities Resource Management, and Student Housing work together to clarify responsibilities for enforcing the University's housing policies," one section of the review read. "One possible response is to absolve RAs from enforcing state, federal, or campus laws and place responsibility for that on campus security or the RDs."

Another section of the report recommended "that the Office of Residence Life work to raise the prestige of RA positions The campus places great responsibility in the hands of RAs, and in return they should feel privileged, but this does not seem to be the case."

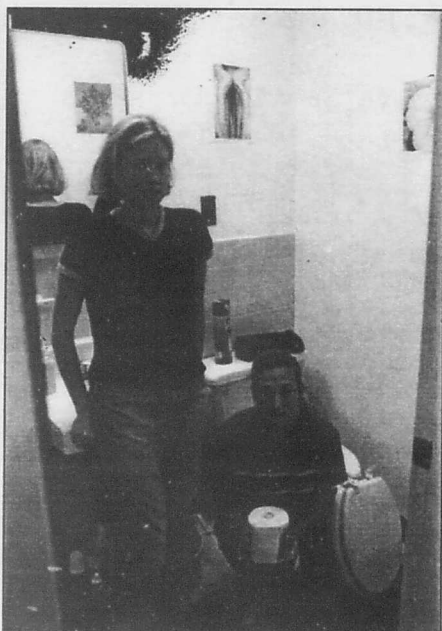
Vovchuk said he believes these changes will improve the public perception of RAs. "Perhaps more people will even apply to be RAs," he said.

In response to the PPC review, Steiner said, "[Hazelbaker] and the Central Advisory Committee decided to look at this issue and say, 'How do we want the community to look at us? What do we want our primary goals to be? What are our primary responsibilities?'"

The result, he said, was "a change in our identity, in who we want to be and how we want to assist students. We want to build interpersonal relationships so that [the residents] don't see the RA just as someone responsible for reinforcing University policy; [they will] see them as someone they can go to if they have a problem. We came up with what I think is a leaner, more efficient Residence Life staff."

"One of the minor sideshoots," he continued, "has gotten people to talk about, 'Oh, RAs can go to See RES LIFE, page 8

Coming up next week



ERIK ROBERT SLAGLE

Keep an eye out for "Townhouse Blues" in next week's *Acorn*. Eberhardt Hall have been a great help in easing the effects of the housing crunch. However, they are not without their problems. Residents will discuss the tumultuous first weeks on campus.

NEWSBRIEFS

**Extraordinist**

Tonight at 8 p.m., UC 107 will feature Craig Karges, an illusionist. He has made appearances on *The Tonight Show* with Jay Leno and CNN's *Larry King Live*. Bring your friends and enter the illusion.

Baldrige reading group

Students who have registered for this program should attend the first meeting this Monday in the Baldwin Basement Lounge. Arrive at any time on the hour from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m., and the instructor will set up a schedule for remaining classes.

Saxophone players needed

Saxophone players with an interest in playing in the Drew University Wind Ensemble are encouraged to join. This year's features are the *Holst 2nd Suite*, *The Trumpeter's Lullaby*, *Pictures at an Exhibition*, and much more. Interested students should call x3428.

Cheap furnishings

Tomorrow from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., a rummage sale will be held at the Madison United Methodist Church on Rt. 124 (near the eastern corner of Drew's campus). The sale will feature inexpensive furnishings and home-baked goods.

Offices relocated

As of today, the Fiscal Operations offices will be moved back to Madison House. This house is located between 120 Madison Ave. and Tilghman House.

SGA Elections

Elections will be held for the positions of First-year Class Senator, First-year Class Officer, Residence Hall Senator, CUE Senator, and Commuter Senator. The elections are scheduled for Sept. 17 in the UC from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Field Work

The program formerly known as Field Work has been renamed the Academic Internship Program. It is now a part of the Office of the Dean of the College of Liberal Arts in order to keep with the realignment recommended by the Student Life Task Force last spring. The location of the program has not changed; it can still be accessed at the Career Center located in the UC.

Health Services nurse recipient of annual award

Kathy Nottage honored for excellence

Carrie Richards
Staff Writer

Director of Health Services Kathy Nottage was honored May 14 with the Nursing Excellence Award, given by the New Jersey College Health Association, a state organization of 69 colleges and universities.

When searching for a recipient, the Association looked for a nurse who demonstrated leadership in advancing the health of college students and creativity in implementing high standards of care and budget management.

The New Jersey College Health Association has meetings three times a year and gives the Nursing Excellence Award annually. "I was incredibly surprised," Nottage said.

The other staff members of Health Services knew in advance that she would be receiving the award, and six of them traveled to southern New Jersey with her to attend the meeting, a trip Nottage said she thought was simply for team-building.

Nottage said that when she came to Drew seven years ago after 17 years in private practice. Health Services was basically an infirmary; now it has developed into a primary health care center receiving 6,000 student visits per

year.

Since she arrived at Drew there have been major changes in college health care, including the advent of seven new federal



STEVE GARZA
Health Services' Kathy Nottage.

and state regulations where there were once none, as well as changes in insurance policies. Through this she feels she has shown "creative leadership at a time of exceptional change."

When she found out she was being honored, Nottage was "very deeply

moved," she said. Her accomplishment was celebrated with a party at Drew the next day.

Nottage also said she was proud that for three out of the past five years Drew staff members have won the Nursing Excellence Award.

Through Nottage's leadership Drew's Health Services is trying to receive national accreditation in six weeks.

The department has spent two years in preparation for this certification; if it becomes accredited, it will join Princeton and Rutgers as the only nationally-accredited college health care centers in New Jersey and will be placed among the top 50 college health facilities in the country.

Career Center focuses on post-college preparations

Career Week features job-hunt events

Charles E. Toms
Staff Writer

The Career Center will present its Senior Career Week this Monday through Thursday. "Laure [Paul, Director of the Career Center] and I planned this last year in order to make seniors aware early on about what to expect after graduation," Career Counselor Carol Ruiz said. "More and more organizations are contacting us in the fall about opportunities."

Career Week consists of five different events. The first component, a presentation on how to have successful interviews, will be held Monday in University Center 104 at 4:15 p.m.

"There are many options for liberal arts majors. We want to tell people how to participate in and how to find out about opportunities," Ruiz said. "We want to let students know what companies look for: things like leadership, internships, and extra-curricular activities."

Tuesday at 4:15 p.m. in UC 104, there will be a question-and-answer session about graduate school. The discussion will be led by Professor of Political Science Doug Simon, Adjunct Assistant Professor of Mathematics and Computer Science Esther Tesar, and Professor of Psychology Jill Cernele.

"This is an informal program about what students need to do in the process of applying to a grad school. The professors will share the experiences that other students or they themselves have had," Ruiz said. Unlike the other events, which are intended mainly for seniors, the

graduate school discussion is geared towards both juniors and seniors.

This Wednesday, there will be a Career Center Open House in UC 101 from 12:30 to 2:30 p.m. Here, seniors can get information about internships, fill out job search interest cards, and receive the Career Decision Handbook. The Alumni Association worked with Paul to produce a handbook about different careers.

"[Career Center staff] wrote the handbook, but the Alumni Association sponsored it. It's their gift to the senior class," Paul said.

Wednesday at 7 p.m. in Learning Center 30, Drew alumnus Ray Nasto (CLA '96) will show seniors how to find jobs on the Internet. "There are so many jobs listed on the Internet, and Ray knows all the tricks," Ruiz said.

The last event involves learning how to write an effective resume.

The Career Center's efforts will not falter once the week is over. "Through the year, we will be setting up interviews for seniors with different companies and organizations. We will be sending e-mail notices about opportunities and deadlines," Ruiz said.

According to senior Collette Sosnowy, Career Week is a good chance to see what opportunities exist for seniors. "The first three years of college, everyone is kind of oblivious to the outside world," she said. "But [during] senior year, it just hits you." She plans to attend all of the events next week.

For more information, visit the Career Center, located in UC 101.

**President Kean's
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Application deadline for 1998 Spring semester is October 15, 1997

Career Week Schedule

Sept. 15 Introduction to the Career Center Interview Program (UC 104, 4:15 p.m.)

Sept. 16 Surviving Graduate School (UC 104, 4:15 p.m.)

Sept. 17 Career Center Open House (UC 101, 12:30 to 2:30 p.m.) & Find Your Job on the Internet (LC 30, 7 to 8 p.m.)

Sept. 18 Everything you need to know about resume writing (UC 104, 4:15 p.m.)

Come to the Career Center, UC 101, for more information.

Fine arts building on standby

Proposed funding from Olin Foundation no longer available

Shannon Gould
Assistant News Editor

A recent setback in funding will further delay the proposed construction of a fine arts building.

The Olin Foundation, a group that funds the construction of university buildings across the nation, had planned to donate all of the money required for the construction of a fine arts building on Drew's campus. The building was to accommodate the music, art, and theatre departments. The proposed location was next to Wesley House, directly across from Tilghman parking lot.

A few years ago, the construction of a fine arts building was considered a top priority in the Capital Campaign of the University. This enabled the building to be eligible for an Olin Grant. The foundation showed an interest in donating a fine arts building. It restricted the building's cost to between \$12 and \$13 million. Architectural plans were drafted, and the location of the building was decided. The initiation of the construction process was simply a matter of time, but

to the surprise of the University, Olin decided this past summer to forgo all of its proposed funding.

The foundation recently donated \$50 million to a college in Florida and \$200 million to start a new architectural school in Massachusetts.

The land purchased in Massachusetts for the new school was owned by Bapson College, the alma mater of the head of the foundation.

The reasons for the foundation's withdrawal are unclear. This foundation was against the inclusion of the theatre department in the fine arts building. "The foundation didn't want to fund large performance spaces," Theatre Arts Chair Dan LaPenta said, "but our performance facilities are equivalent to laboratory facilities in the science departments. What we wanted in the fine arts building was a 'black box' theatre, which is a small performance space which would not have gone beyond the limits the Olin foundation set forth."

Music Department Chair Norman Lowery said, "We [the

music department] feel that the theatre department should be included in the fine arts building."

Lowery added that the department also suggested that it should have a proper concert hall.

Even with the renovations to Bowne Theatre, there will continue to be scheduling conflicts with the Shakespeare Festival, the theatre department, and concerts that the music department would like to perform.

Since the building's construction was contingent upon the funding, it is on standby until a new sponsor is discovered.

There is currently a candidate for sponsorship of the building, but confirmation of definitive support is unavailable.

If this funding doesn't come through, there is the option of refurbishing S.W. Bowne (Great Hall) to serve the purpose of a fine arts building.

Also under consideration is the use of the Forum to serve some of the functions of a fine arts building. "The arts are hoping that this building survives," LaPenta said, "but right now it is all up in the air."

Benacchio chooses interim Vice President



STEVE GARZA

After the unexpected injury of senior Ryan Fraytic, the position of Vice President needed to be filled. Benacchio appointed Cabinet Treasurer Lisa Cornacchia. The Senate must vote to approve.

Alex Pla
Staff Writer

Student Government Association Vice President Ryan Fraytic was recently injured during an Ultimate Frisbee game. While his prognosis is good, he is currently unable to fulfill his position in the SGA.

Fraytic's injury will have an impact on the SGA due to the large amount of work he undertook. His duties will be filled by the combined efforts of SGA President Rob Benacchio and Fraytic's interim replacement, senior Lisa Cornacchia.

While the SGA is saddened by his injury, they will use it as a rallying cry, something that will inspire others to complete his goals of making student government work for the students, Benacchio said.

In order to choose Fraytic's replacement, a number of factors were considered. First, the SGA Constitution was examined for relevant information.

Article III, Section 2, Paragraph C, reads:

"A vacancy in the office of the Vice President shall be filled by a Cabinet appointment, which must be approved by a two-thirds majority of all Senators present and voting at the next subsequent meeting following the appointment."

In this case, however, the process was altered due to the unusual circumstances. Fraytic did not leave office, and he is expected to return.

He does not need a replacement; just someone to fill in while he recovers. Due to these circumstances, Benacchio, not the Cabinet, selected the replacement. Benacchio said if the Cabinet had a problem with his decision he would accept whomever they decided to appoint.

Cornacchia's appointment, however, is subject to approval by two-thirds of the Senate, as stipulated in the SGA Constitution.

This issue may require an amendment to the constitution.

University Senator Matt Light has drafted a bill that would clarify the replacement selection process.

Cornacchia was chosen as Fraytic's replacement for several reasons. Her tenure was one factor in the decision. Cornacchia came to the SGA two years ago as a Senator representing McClintock Hall. She returned the following year as a Cabinet member.

On Cabinet, Cornacchia was first appointed as Secretary, then as Treasurer.

When she leaves her current position, she will be replaced by junior Lurana Brown if the Cabinet consents.

Cornacchia said that her replacement is "very competent" and is the best choice.

During her time in office, Cornacchia proved to be "an invaluable source of information for the position," Benacchio said.

The final factor in the decision was the President's preference. According to Benacchio, Cornacchia was the "first choice" because she is a "good source of balance."

Since the President and Vice President spend a good deal of time working together, their ability to interact well and understand one another is important. But "no matter who we pick, Ryan is irreplaceable," Benacchio said.

Cornacchia will fill in for Fraytic until he returns or until his term expires. Once Fraytic recovers, he is expected to reclaim his office.

While many expect Fraytic to return next semester, the possibility remains that he might not return this year.

When asked how she felt about being chosen to replace Fraytic, Cornacchia said she felt "honored. I have huge shoes to fill."

As Vice President, Cornacchia plans to continue where Fraytic left off and to build upon his efforts to better represent the students.

Leadership Weekend

Saturday, Sept. 13, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The nationally-recognized experts of the Centre for Knowledge Transfer will provide professional training.

Sunday, Sept. 14, 9 a.m. to 1:30 a.m.

Go behind the scenes of Drew leadership and event planning. Featured presentations and question-and-answer sessions by Director of Student Activities Kimberly Sweeney-Samson, Conference Coordinators Jane McLaughlin and Tamara Haynie, Administrative Assistant Josie Meunch-Perz, Director of Public Safety Tom Evans, and Mailroom and Duplicating Coordinator David Plummer.

The leadership seminar will be held in UC 107. A Continental breakfast and refreshments will be served at both sessions.

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LEAD EDITORIAL

Fresh start for food

When Daka lost its contract last year after intense criticism from the student body, there was considerable optimism that whoever took over the food service would be a vast improvement. When Aramark was given the responsibility of providing the students of the University with their sustenance, they assured us they would improve food variety and quality.

In many respects, Aramark has fulfilled that promise. The general consensus among the student body is that the food is, if not significantly, at least mildly improved. There appears to be a greater variety of choices in the Commons, most notably the rotisserie chicken addition, which has been a huge hit. Other notable and pleasant additions are the bread line and the "Changing Scenes" section, which highlights cuisine from other parts of the world.

Aside from the food, Aramark has improved the appearance of several areas of the Commons. The pizza, pasta, and vegan room, formerly a dungeon, has been transformed into a well-lit, well-marked, and aesthetically pleasing place. The signs in both rooms are an appreciated improvement, and the markers noting the calorie and fat contents of some of the food are quite helpful and revealing. Also, placing the napkins on the tables themselves instead of in the food lines certainly cuts down on waste. After all, when the napkins are directly in front of someone, he or she is less likely to take ten more napkins than needed.

However, there are some areas where we feel Aramark could make some changes. First and foremost, traffic has become an indisputable problem during the rush traffic hours. No one expects to walk right up to the food at 12:30, but the length of the lines at these times is ridiculous and largely avoidable. The bottleneck is the result of having only one main lunch line and another line for the "Changing Scenes" section, instead of the two identical main lines Daka usually employed. Since far fewer people visit the "Changing Scenes" section, it is illogical to funnel all the main line traffic into one line. A traffic jam quickly forms, and the line wraps around the entire room, creating unnecessary delays and frustrations. A solution would be to move the "Changing Scenes" section to the room with the pasta and pizza.

Also, at peak hours, only one person is swiping cards, creating a backlog that sometimes extends outdoors. While a second card swiper comes down eventually, delays could be avoided if the second card swiper was downstairs for a longer time.

Another questionable decision was to place the silverware outside of the food rooms. Everyone has to get silverware; therefore it makes much more sense to have the silverware cart in the same place as the trays. Placing the silverware in the eating area creates another traffic flow problem and invites collisions between seat-searchers and silverware-seekers. Not to mention that almost everyone forgets to get their silverware before sitting down, forcing one to undergo another trip.

In addition, a few food concerns do still persist. The desserts don't seem to have gotten much better, and the waffle and omelette option has sadly disappeared from Sunday brunch.

Despite these problems, we are happy that Aramark is making an effort to improve our food options and quality, and for the most part, they have succeeded. We are also glad that Aramark is keeping an open ear to the concerns of the students, for there certainly are issues that still need to be addressed. We commend Aramark for getting off to an excellent start and for remaining open to criticism and suggestions.



READER'S FORUM

Alum requests speaker nominations for spring commencement exercises

To the Drew community:

The Honorary Degrees Committee will be meeting soon and invites members of the campus community to recommend candidates who might deserve notice by Drew at our upcoming commencement exercises. I will remind you that although we don't apply the rule rigidly, we look for persons who have some special connection to Drew or who speak well for its values.

In this connection, please feel free to suggest themes and/or names of persons you would like to see in a commencement program. The committee, which will meet with students who represent the current graduating

classes, will review all suggestions. It is, however, important for you to keep a Drew nexus loosely in mind and to be aware that Drew pays no honoraria to its commencement honorees.

You can return your suggestions to me c/o Elaine Brady, Office of the President (or e-mail: EBRADY) by Sept. 26. It would be helpful to the committee if you could provide biographical material in support of your suggestion.

Jerome Wolfson (CLA '60)
Chairman,
Honorary Degrees Committee
Board of Trustees

Farmer not to blame for continuing phone and communication troubles

To the Editor:

Many times when things go wrong (especially at Drew) we are quick to blame the person or people in charge of that particular department. In many cases, that blame is deserving or at least, directed towards the correct person. However, in some cases this is not true.

During the first couple of weeks of school, many people experienced problems with their phones or phone lines. These problems have ranged from no phone service to having the incorrect number and voicemail on their line. Unfortunately much of the blame for these problems has fallen on the shoulders of Larry Farmer, Director of Telecommunications.

I think the Drew community should know that many of the problems that have occurred have been caused by lines that were cut by landscapers installing the local area

network at the end of the summer.

Although these problems are an inconvenience to those affected, I would like to thank Larry and his staff for working as hard as they can to fix these problems as efficiently as possible. Very few people stay until 1:00 a.m. by themselves on a Friday night trying to get the Riker Hall phone lines up, but that is what Larry was doing the Friday before students arrived. He has also done his very best to keep students up to date on progress with these problems.

Once again, thank you Larry Farmer for all your hard work!!

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The Critical Condition

David Faris
Opinions Editor

watched sitcom in the history of television. What could possibly be so wonderful about this show that would force people to drop whatever they're doing and loyally plop themselves in front of the tube for a half hour every week? Why has this show gained such an enormous following?

It's damn funny, that's why. The four comedically inept characters transform the mundane and the commonplace into sheer lunacy. *Seinfeld* was the first comedy to truly thrive on its lack of a coherent message every week; it is a comedy that pretends to be nothing more and nothing less than a vehicle for laughter. Absent is the incessant

moralizing of sitcoms like *The Cosby Show* and *Family Ties*, and instead we get neurotic Jerry Seinfeld and his shallow, idiotic, hopelessly pathetic gang of friends, all of whom seem delightfully devoid of any consistent sense of morality and are therefore incapable of sending moral messages to the audience.

Surprisingly, most viewers of *Seinfeld* find themselves identifying with the characters in many ways. Many viewers have struggled

with the problem.

It all started when my father (a professor of sociology) and a colleague explained to me, as I sat dumbfounded and somewhat amused, how they feel that *Seinfeld* actually has a destructive influence on society. Their theory, if I understand it correctly, holds that in their gleeful disdain for all things serious, the characters of *Seinfeld* are sending a terrible message to the audience.

Their theory, if I understand it correctly, holds that in their gleeful disdain for all things serious, the characters of Seinfeld are sending a terrible message to the audience. Nothing is serious; all of life's problems can be solved by a quick one-liner or a witty quip. There is not a single thing in the world, from dog-napping to the death of one's fiancée, immune from levity.

to be masters of their domains or have dealt with close-talkers. We all have our issues with double-dippers, our own experiences with shrinkage, our struggles with soup Nazis. Perhaps the appeal of the show lies in how much of ourselves we see in these exaggerated carica-

tures. And therein lies the crux of the problem.

gued desperately. But it was an argument I was destined to lose, partly because I was arguing with two people who held many, many more degrees than I have, and partly because the more I thought about it, the more I thought they had a point.

In the past few years, I have actually found it more difficult to sustain a serious conversation with many of my peers. We (I include myself here) are often far too quick to use sarcasm and quips, and alto-

live, where the tragic and the triumphant occur side-by-side, without any discernible meaning or pattern, the only way we can retain our collective grip on reality is through laughter. *Seinfeld* and the resulting distaste for serious discourse are actually part of a complex safety valve we have created for ourselves to hold onto our sanity.

Seinfeld as a search for meaning? Many of you may be chuckling by now, and maybe it is just a damn TV show, but it's worth a few minutes of thought. *Seinfeld* has spawned a litany of pointless, plotless, and far less clever sitcoms aimed at the twenty-something audience.

It is responsible for an almost wholesale shift in the nature of the television sitcom. As a group, we should probably be extremely insulted. The implication is that we can't handle anything more serious than *Men Behaving Badly*, anything more meaningful than thirty minutes of Brooke Shields, the ultimate comedic flop, spouting drivel.

Like the bickering couple in Edward Albee's *Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf?*, we are, as a society, in danger of becoming so sarcastic and bitter that we might eventually forget how to be real with one another.

All we will be left with to communicate with one another are one-liners and catchy comebacks. Not that there's anything wrong with that, as *Seinfeld* himself would say. Comedy is a wonderful tool, we just need to learn when to use it and when to be serious.

Giddyup.

Transfers can truly appreciate Drew

Lisa Scudieri
Staff Writer

School has only been in session for a week and already the hundreds of new students, who just finished orientation, seem to be making their mark in the Drew community. For the most part, these individuals are fresh out of high school.

Their bronze skin reflects all of the memories of senior week at the beach, their clothes still fit (give that a month—after four consecutive weeks of ice cream, fries, and perogies) and their desks are already cluttered with letters, cards, and photos of parted friends and sweethearts.

Yet only when they start wearing mesh shorts, t-shirts and zit cream to classes, and stow away that once cherished prom portrait in a bottom drawer will they become true college students. Only then will they learn to spend their Sunday afternoons as wisely as the upperclassmen—they will use it to sleep, catch up on phone calls, do laundry, and finally make use of QuattroPro and WordPerfect.

But then, there are all of those new students at Drew who already act and look like the upperclassmen. They only buy used books, steer clear of rip-off vendors in the student center, and do everything in their power to schedule late classes on Friday.

They fit in so well with the rest of the students because they too have experienced the fabled occurrences of freshman year. They are transfer students who come to Drew from schools near and far.

Like many of Drew's upper-

classmen, they've already gained and lost the 15 pounds they put on during their first semester at their former college. Many have experienced sharing a room with several different people while others have even changed their majors on more than one occasion.

Yet, even though many of these transfers are acclimated with college life and can adjust better to it than an incoming freshman, they still need to become oriented with the Drew way-of-life as it probably is very different from their previous experience at other colleges. Luckily, this is not an arduous task.

As a transfer student myself, I think that I can personally support this assertion. Like many other transfers I came from an out-of-state school that was the exact opposite of Drew—it was extremely large and ultra-conservative.

Now, I'm not saying that all of us switch to Drew because we prefer small schools, we like being close to our mommies and daddies, and find it more convenient to purchase contraceptives at the University Bookstore rather than an off-campus pharmacy.

Drew's transfer students come to lovely Madison, NJ, for one simple reason: rapid acceptance into the tightly-knit community of students and faculty. The combination of the University's outstanding academic programs and its variety of organization is quite appealing for any student who wants to truly take advantage of the ultimate "college experience."

For me, participation in athletics was always an integral part

of my pre-college life. Yet, when I ventured off to my "big name" university, competing, let alone excelling in varsity sports was simply not an available option. I just wasn't "good enough" compared to those many athletes who were drawn in via "full-boat" rides.

But, at Drew, it is possible for any interested student to be a member of a varsity, junior varsity, or intramural team, a leader in Student Government Association, a staff writer for *The Acorn*, or a singer in any one of the campus' many vocal groups.

It's even possible to participate in a combination of these clubs and still have time to party during the weekends! The only rights of passage are hard work and dedication.

To be accepted you don't need to withstand hazing, or hell week, you don't need to be an All-American athlete or have sung at Carnegie Hall. To make a contribution to the Drew community all you need to do is be yourself. I think it is really only transfer students who understand this and who appreciate it the most.

Even though the incoming freshmen are as new to this school as the transfers, they will be less likely to recognize and value all that this school has to offer because they have no other experiences, other than high school, to use for comparison.

Only we, select transfer students, see just how much a small, liberal arts school in suburban New Jersey can do for our collegiate aspirations because we've been somewhere else that has denied us such a wonderful opportunity.

gether too reluctant to actually say something.

But there is a limit to which I believe television influences society, and it is far more likely that *Seinfeld* is a reflection of the greater mood of society, rather than the other way around. And if that is so, then it certainly makes a sad statement about our society.

After all, the show is, by the admission of its characters, "about nothing." It is plotless and pointless, despite its undeniable hilarity, and if we truly relate and identify with these people, what does that say about us? What does that say about our lives?

Are our lives about nothing? Perhaps, but a more palatable explanation would be that in this seemingly chaotic society in which we

Other People's Opinions

(not ours)

"I caused my husband's heart attack. In the middle of lovemaking I took the paper bag off my head. He dropped the Polaroid and keeled over and so did the hooker. It would have taken me half an hour to untie myself and call the paramedics, but fortunately the Great Dane could dial."—Joan Rivers

"The United States is like the guy at the party who gives cocaine to everybody and still nobody likes him."—Jim Samuels

"More than any time in human history mankind faces a crossroads. One path leads to despair and hopelessness, the other to total extinction. Let us pray we have the wisdom to choose correctly."—Woody Allen

"When I was a kid in the ghetto, a gang started going around harassing people, so some of the toughest kids formed a gang called The Sharks to stop them. The other gang was called The Jehovah's Witnesses."—Charles Kosar

"At my lemonade stand I used to give the first glass away free and charge five dollars for the second glass. The refill contained the antidote."—Ermo Philips

"Stuffed deer heads on walls are bad enough, but it's worse when they are wearing dark glasses and have streamers and ornaments in their antlers because then you know they were enjoying themselves at a party when they were shot."—Ellen DeGeneres

"9W"—Answer to the question: Do you spell your name with a V, Mr. Vagner?

(again, not our opinions)

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----- SGA First-Year Candidate Platforms -----

First-year Class Senators Justin Sarpone Amanda Santiago

My name is Justin Sarpone, and I am running for First-year Class Senator. I feel the SGA is a great opportunity for Drew students, for it allows everyone to have their opinions voiced both directly and indirectly in a campus wide setting.

The office of class senator is not only a great privilege, but a responsibility which must be taken seriously and with a great deal of commitment. My interest in student government goes back to high school where I was lucky enough to have the experience of serving as president of my class during all four years.

Here at Drew, as I adjust to college life, I have already got involved in some of the activities that are offered; among these are the men's soccer program and DUST. Basically, all I really have to say is that I hope to get the chance to represent the class of 2001 as class senator, and if given the opportunity I will do so to the best of my abilities.

So thank you very much for taking the time to read this little blurb and I hope for your vote on Wednesday.

And don't forget, even if I don't get your vote, be sure to vote for someone because that's the only way student government will work, with the input of all the students.

Remember, as Ben Franklin said, "Well done is better than well said."

D.J. Wright

Our class, the class of 2001, has the distinct privilege of being the first class to graduate in the twenty-first century. Consequently, it is my sincere hope that the class of 2001 will be one of the best ever to graduate from Drew.

This is why I, D.J. Wright, have decided to run for the position of First-year Class Senator. From what I have seen so far, our class has many things going for it. I want to make sure that our interests are protected and preserved in the Senate. If elected, I am confident that I will be able to do just that.

I just want to stress that if elected, I want all the first-year students to know that I will be working for them. My voice will be echoing their ideas and concerns. Therefore, anytime anyone has a problem, suggestion, or anything, I will be there to listen and help out in any way that I can.

I am asking you to help make the class of 2001 the best ever. To do this, we need people who will work hard for our class. I believe that I am one of those people and I hope I can count on you for your support. Thank you.

Tara Lauriat

We both agree that Drew is an excellent school or we wouldn't be here.

However, no school is perfect and some of the needs of the first year class have not been or will not be adequately met unless certain changes are made.

For example, the January term is an ideal time to earn some extra credits and take some unique courses, but the first-year class won't have that option this winter. As First-year Senator, I would urge the administration to bring this program back before our class misses out.

In addition, I am concerned that not enough high school students outside of New Jersey are aware of the benefits of a Drew education. As a class, I feel that we should work to attract a geographically diverse student body and end the era when many people have never heard of Drew University.

But remember, my purpose is to represent you. If you make your opinions known to me, I will make sure that they are heard by the Senate. Instead of trying to run the freshman class, I want to give everyone a voice.

On election day, be sure to make the right choice and vote for Tara Lauriat for First-year Senator.

First-year Class Officer Steve Caponegro

As your freshman class officer I will increase the spirit and camaraderie among the members of our class by sponsoring social events on campus. We would welcome new comedians, bands, coffee house series, and possibly a casino night.

We will also sponsor unique fundraisers. Both the special events and the fundraisers would help defray the costs of our class activities. I would like to increase the involvement of our class in the community. It would also be to our benefit if our class would make connections with the people of the community in order to gain funds for our class.

All of these activities that I have mentioned would help to create a stronger bond amongst the students of Drew. An interaction must exist with the upperclassmen to maintain Drew's character and establish a continuity of ideals and goals.

On a more personal note there are a few items I would like to address. A student ID card should be allowed in the Snack Bar between 12 and 1 p.m. The students should not be inconvenienced.

Why not have a water fountain installed on each floor of a dorm? Doesn't the costs of our tuition entitle us to have soap dispensers and paper towels in the lavatories?

I have had experience as president of my class for two years in high school. I was also president of the National Honor Society and the Environmental Club. I promise I will work for the benefit of our class so that our years at Drew will be most rewarding.

Hello all my fellow freshmen and freshwomyn!! What's up everyone?

How are all your classes going? Mine are okay...they're keeping me quite busy!! Oh, by the way, my name is Amanda Santiago and I am running for class senator!! Now wait!! Keep on reading!! Pleaseee!! Ok Thanks!! Some of you already know me or have seen me but for those of you who haven't I hope in time you and I will get to know each other.

Well I'm positive that you are all wondering who exactly I am and why I am running!! I'm just a freshwomyn who loves to be active and be involved!! I love to go out and have lots of fun!!

But don't we all!! I am studying law and theater. I hope to someday be on Broadway and be a criminal lawyer!! "I think I can I think I can!!" What else? I love to go to dance and play sports!! You can find me at the gym (hopefully) daily. I try to stay fit! I've become involved in other clubs and plan to join many more over the course of my college career.

Now on to the basics. I am from Dumont, NJ, but I attended school in NYC. In high school I was on my Student Council for three years in a row. I did a significant amount of work and more on days that I was available.

I have also attended a few leadership conferences such as the Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership Confer-

ence. There I learned many leadership skills and responsibilities.

I have had some of the most incredible times of my life at these conferences and I have also met life long friends. So I recommend leadership conferences. I have also been involved with volunteer work such as cleaning parks and painting schools in NYC. So as you can see I am active.

I would like to be elected freshmen class senator because I believe that I can represent all my fellow classmates to the fullest. I will be your voice and make sure we are heard!

Because you know what? I have a loud voice!!! I want to also put my skills to use and learn more about democracy whether it be on our campus scale or on a wider one.

I vow to be there, if elected, for anyone and everyone who needs an ear to suggest or complain...but please don't complain too much. And with what I hear I will immediately address the Student Government. I will the reply back with you with the status of your inquiry.

Sigh!! Well I believe I've given you enough information I could in order to not bore you at the moment. I hope that I can count on your vote and if you have any questions just look for me. I will definitely be around campaigning!! Take care!!

William Guyster

barrooms to opening up the roof area above Welch Holloway and to continue playing music during dinner.

As there are no other substantial issues facing the first-year students at Drew right now, whatever issues do come up in the future I would definitely put in 100 percent effort to solving them. My past experience and leadership include a variety of projects.

In high school I was involved as with President of Peace Corps, three years in Student Government, raising more than \$1,100.00 for AIDS Research and people with HIV/AIDS, organizing the cleanup over 1000 pounds of beach trash, organizing many volunteer groups to work with the homeless at Metropolitan Ministries, and many other activities.

Thanks, and I hope to be your senator.

Rankings exclude important factors

Sue Brennan
Staff Writer

Before I applied to college, I listened to college students say, "Don't pick schools because of their name." I listened to guidance counselors "more than one best choice" speech. In the end, I listened to my parents say, "pick the college you like the best."

Why, then, do publications still rank universities and colleges? For the 11th consecutive year, *US News and World Report* published a ranking of "America's Best Colleges." The report is a useless and irrelevant example of brand-name consumerism. Based on such factors as student selectivity, faculty, and financial resources, the rankings try to convince readers that college is nothing more than a number game.

In the pre-game disclaimer, *US News* warns readers "not to choose the highest-ranked school... but to select a school that is best for the applicant." Why, then, rank the schools? Somewhere in America, a senior in high school diligently fills out an application to Tufts University because his favorite number is 23.

In this hypothetical game of college selection, a high school student's eyes light up because Yale has a past graduation rate of 98 percent. A sophomore gnaws

her nails as she decides whether freshman retention rate or financial resources bear the most relevance upon her college decision.

And the whole academic community feels the agony of a college freshman who realizes that the alumni donation rate has lowered since last year's ranking. Student selectivity accounts for 15 percent of the ranking score; the colleges and universities with low acceptance rates appear highest in the ranking. Unless you're Chelsea Clinton, a low acceptance rate at Harvard means a smaller chance of attending that particular school. Why, then, are those universities considered the "best?"

No one—not even Chelsea Clinton—lives in a hypothetical world. *US News* ranks schools on the basis of freshman retention rate, 1996 graduation rate, percentage of classes under 20 and over 50, student selectivity, and alumni giving rate. The standards that qualify Tufts as the 23rd best school in America and rank Drew somewhere in the second tier, or ensure that Harvard places first, do not exist in the life of a college student.

In the place of cut-and-paste statistics, *US News* should fill its columns with information relevant to a college student. Instead of student selectivity, base

rankings on student happiness and satisfaction with their schools. Examine the faculty accessibility. Do students like their professors? Do they even see their professors? Are the classes challenging? Is the library open past 9 p.m.?

Grade overall user-friendliness. Does the administration resemble the Evil Empire? Are new students called first-years or freshmen? If *US News* based evaluations upon issues that actually existed, would Drew rank higher on the list? Most likely.

US News collected survey results from "the president, provost, and dean of admissions at each school." Nobody lives next door to the dean. College guides should assess a school's personality, not its figures and administrators. Ask students if they weekend on campus. Is the campus secure? Do their classmates still wear Gap shirts? Evaluate race relations and campus activities, not alumni giving rates and financial resources.

Colleges and universities like Drew, which cater to the student and not financial benefactors, often become lost in the wake of these large rounded numbers. Until publications like *US News* abandon the number games, Drew and its collegiate counterparts will continue to drown in a sea of statistics.

WAGES

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Treasurer/Controller Eroida Torrales, Assistant Controller Janis Prezuhy, and Director of University Research Indira Govindan.

The members of the task force sent letters last April to the operating managers of the various departments that employ students. These letters contained descriptions of each pay rate level and the skills and responsibilities that should accompany each level.

The managers were asked to fit the jobs available to a certain pay level. With this input, the task force created a flow chart that outlined in detail the displacement of approximately \$800,000 in allocated funds. Each department that employs students on campus was allocated a certain percentage of the total funds. The individual departments then placed a certain number of jobs at each level.

Level one jobs are typically for freshman. These are jobs that require a minimum amount of training and skill. A student who works at a first level pay rate in a certain department during his/her first year and returns to the same department in his/her second year will ideally receive a promotion to level two.

This promotion would carry with it some added responsibilities that the student should be qualified enough to handle after a year's experience in the department. The same idea holds true with increases to level three and four. The higher the level, the more experience or expertise required to hold the position.

For instance, the peer tutors earn a level three pay rate due to the knowledge and skill that tutoring requires. Lifeguards earn a level four pay rate because of special qualifications, namely CPR certification, required to hold the position.

In previous years, students

were not required to increase levels and assume more responsibility to receive a pay raise. After each year, a supervisor or manager would evaluate an employee based on his/her performance and typically award a five, 10, or 15 cent raise.

With the new system, a student will not receive a raise unless levels are increased.

"Based on the department hiring, the rate is now set," McKitish said. "The jobs are now matched to a specific starting rate of pay."

One goal of the task force was to create this standardization. "This is all part of a simplification process. In the past, there were many, many pay levels; now there are only four and the University plans to stick to them," Student Employment Coordinator Karen Marquis said.

Students employed on campus will begin their jobs at one of the four levels, with the opportunity to advance up to level four. The system was designed with four levels so that ideally a student will increase one level per year and max out at level four his/her senior year.

The level four pay rate can only be surpassed in exceptional cases. "In order to exceed the level four pay rate, the operating manager must explain to the vice president of each department why a particular job deserves more than the level four pay rate," McKitish said.

If this were to occur, one of two things would happen. The first option would be to adjust the budget of the department to compensate for the pay raise.

The other option would be to cut back the hours of the student who received the raise or other students employed in the same department.

There are some students on campus who were paid more than the level four pay rate last year. "We have no intention of reducing the pay rate that returning students received the previous academic year," McKitish said.

LAN

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a subcontractor of Bell Atlantic which the University retained to supervise installation of the fiber-optic network, mounted wiring on the walls in each room. Drew found this placement unacceptable, since it placed conduits inside the walls of the building for wiring during renovation of the building in 1993.

"There's one kind of problem that in the long-term doesn't matter—when someone misses a deadline, it's a little irritating, but the work gets done a week later," Candiotti said. "There's another kind of problem which we're much more worried about—when something is done and left that way, and it's not the way it's supposed to be."

Candiotti declined to comment when asked to evaluate the performance of Michaels Electric, which has been retained by Bell Atlantic for the wiring portion

the network will still be operable in Haselton, but each room's phones will be shut down for a day while the wires are placed inside the walls, he said.

In addition to the problems with the Haselton installation, students have complained about room doors being left unlocked and workmen failing to clean up when they check network jacks.

"Seeing how much went wrong over the summer and how much they seem to have disregarded the University's instructions, I don't see how anyone could hire them," Student Government Association President Rob Benacchio said. In Benacchio's Riker room, workmen left drill residue and didn't replace some items they moved to check the jacks. Benacchio said he is considering drafting a letter to the Better Business Bureau to report the problems with the subcontractor.

Phone problems in Riker during the first few weeks of the

Candiotti will meet with student groups to determine the guidelines for usage of the network.

"We're going to emphasize that the network is a shared resource and that its primary function is as an educational tool," he said. In addition, orientation will be required for all students to learn the new software.

After the network is operational in the first three residential buildings, the University will step back and evaluate the implementation process.

If everything goes well, Hoyt, Riker, and Embury will be brought up on the network in November.

Installation of the wiring and conduits for Eberhardt and the theme houses will be completed in January. The network is scheduled to be operational in these buildings early next spring.

Then, the University will consider its budgetary options and will most likely install the conduits and wiring for Tolley-Brown, the Suites, Wendell, Tipple, Welch-Holloway, and the Forum next summer.

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—SGA President Rob Benacchio,

referring to the work of subcontractors Michaels Electric.

of the project.

However, he said the first subcontractor used for the underground work was satisfactory. "[For] the first phase of the network they used a contractor we were pleased with."

Michaels Electric is in the process of correcting the problem and has been instructed to keep disruption of Haselton residents to a minimum. The subcontractor will post signs informing students of the work, but each room will have the new wiring and the existing phone wire reconnected and placed inside the walls. Already, though, some students have experienced problems with the reconnections. Sophomore Sarah Lake, a resident of Haselton third, said the only notice she received was that workers would be coming to her room sometime this past week. When they knocked on her door Tuesday morning around 10 a.m., both she and her roommate were awakened and left the room. "They probably could have given more notice, so I had some sort of idea they would be coming," she said.

This reconfiguration will be done room-by-room, so phone and e-mail service will be interrupted for about a day or so in each room. The entire process will take three to four weeks, and Michaels Electric will foot the cost of the reconnections, Candiotti said. If the changes aren't made by Oct. 1,

semester were also partly due to work done over the summer.

Landscape activities around Eberhardt Hall done by Facilities Operations broke the underground phone cable for Riker, resulting in disrupted phone service. Telecom restored phone service for most of the building prior to the start of classes after installing a new conduit and cable, but phone jacks in some rooms remained inoperable.

The subcontractor rewired some of the phone jacks early in the summer, so Telecom had some difficulty restoring phone service to certain rooms, Candiotti said.

In addition, Telecom's repair efforts have been hampered by a lack of staff working with Director of Telecommunications Larry Farmer.

OPERATIONAL PROCESS

Once the wiring and conduits are installed and the network server is operational, students in Haselton, Baldwin, and Asbury will receive a network card. The network cards cost about \$100 each, but the University is undecided about the cost to students, Candiotti said.

Also, seniors with the Digital DECpc 433SE computer will need to upgrade them to 8 MB of memory to run the software, at a cost of \$50. The memory can be purchased at computer repair.

The entire LAN project will cost about \$2.5 million, Candiotti said.

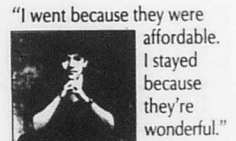
After an initial grant from the state of New Jersey of \$1.3 million, the project is being funded with Drew money.

Candiotti estimated the University is spending between \$400,000 and \$500,000 this year and at least that much next year to complete the project.

NEW OPTIONS

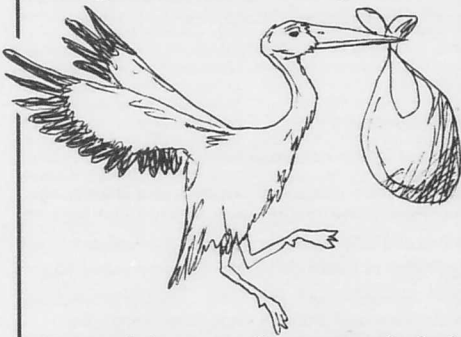
The new connection will enable students to use Netscape's internet browser software from their rooms. Also, the network can be used to store files for class presentations. For instance, a student can save a WordPerfect file to the network, and then access it from a different computer in class the next day.

Finally, the network will enable students to use software they otherwise wouldn't be able to access, such as expensive math and physics applications. Eventually, the University will update its e-mail system through the LAN, Candiotti said.



"I went because they were affordable. I stayed because they're wonderful."

Congratulations new parents!



Congratulations to two Drew community families who were recently blessed with new additions.

Sept. 3 marked the birth of Nita Louise Diverio to Director of Alumni Affairs Jim Diverio and University Editor Regina Diverio. Nita Louise weighed eight pounds, five ounces at birth and measured 20.5 inches long. Nita is their second child.

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parties, RAs can drink.' Let's back up here. The University's alcohol policy has not changed."

This policy complies with state law prohibiting the consumption of alcohol by those under the age of 21. The University policy also includes a ban on open containers in hallways, lounges, and other common areas, and prohibits "common sources, such as kegs and beerballs."



RA's enjoy the additional freedoms stemming from ResLife reforms.

"The same rules apply to RAs as do to everyone else," Steiner said. "I expect that if an RA is under 21 they will not be drinking, and if they are 21 or older they will be as responsible in social environments as I would expect them to be in academic or residence environments."

"In the past it became traditional that RAs couldn't be at parties," Hazelbaker said. "Last year I got a couple of phone calls saying, 'I thought you should know one of your RAs is at a party.'"

"Oh no," he mocked. "An RA having a good time! People get so

worked up about that. It's part of a social life and it's a place where things certainly get out of control, so why would we want to keep people who are specifically trained to prod people toward safer situations away?"

Vovchuk said Drew is "one of, if not the only college with this kind of policy." Steiner lauded the quality of Drew's student body when comparing this policy to that of other schools.

"We here at Drew are very fortunate," he said. "When I go to

Policy to ban kegs revisited

The following article appeared in the Nov. 22, 1985, issue of *The Acorn* and was written by Alan Langleib.

Beginning January 1, no kegs will be allowed on campus said Dean of Students Jane Newman at what many regarded as a fiery Student Government Association meeting Tuesday night.

"The primary reason cited in this decision is the various forms of vandalism that have occurred throughout the semester," said Newman, a member of the Committee on Alcohol Awareness which has met regularly for the past three weeks.

Newman said another problem facing administrators is under-age drinking. "We have been breaking the law. We have been taking on liability we can't afford to take on," she said.

SGA Vice President Amy Rosta told senators at the close of the meeting that their job was to get student ideas for solutions to these problems and present them at next Tuesday's meeting. When one senator asked Newman why she felt kegs were the root of the problem, she said, "The partying associated with kegs is different than that of individual beers. You drink a keg until it is empty. With cans or bottles, we are hoping more responsible drinking will re-

sult."

The committee, comprised of six students and six administrators, mulled over possible alternative actions, according to Newman, but the banning of kegs was the most tangible answer.

Although no one on the committee could cite specific proof that vandalism was keg-related, both Newman and Director of Public Safety Manny Ayers in a telephone interview afterwards said that based on experiences here and on other campuses, they believe that kegs were the source of the problem.

An immediate response to the new policy came from SGA president Stephen Foster who questioned Newman as to why he had not been informed sooner and why the issue had not been discussed at previous SGA meetings.

"I am extremely angry. I feel betrayed. I am quite frustrated at this stage," Foster said.

When Foster asked Newman to consider having a question-and-answer session open to the entire student body, Newman said she did not believe a campus-wide forum would be appropriate for dealing with this issue.

"I am not interested in how you feel," Newman said, adding that she is looking for constructive advice and criticism. Newman said some examples of student carelessness were alcohol in the University Center, kegs in Haselton-Baldwin courtyard, students walking around the grounds with open beers, and the consumption of alcohol by minors.

UC and Student Activities Director Al Green, who is also on the

committee, said he was the first to bring up the idea of banning kegs at one of the early meetings. "People feel that the Drew University administration tries to stop social life on campus," Green said. "That is unfounded. The students know they have not been following the rules." Heads began to shake in disbelief when Green said, "Drew has one of the most liberal alcohol policies in the nation."

"It's a question of maturity and responsibility," he said. "When the post office tells me students have been pouring beer in the boxes, I say to myself 'that's high school mentality.'"

"The students here are mature and responsible," Ayers said. "I say if they can keep the rowdiness and vandalism down and the kegs inside their dorm rooms, let them have the kegs."

"I believe they can police the problem themselves," he said. Ken Long, Hoyt first floor Resident Assistant and member of the committee, said he and other RA's feel trepidation because they are liable if anything happens to students who drink illegally.

After Tuesday evening's meeting, several senators said Newman seemed to be sincerely interested in an alternative proposal, but added they felt she had not seriously considered simply enforcing the existing policy. In addition to making kegs illegal on campus, the proposal calls for food to be served along with alcohol, and for an increased awareness of alcohol through programs and lectures.

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As representatives of Drew, Student Fellows will be invited to attend several special functions held on and off the Drew campus throughout the academic year 1997-98 and will have the opportunity to meet and converse with Board members. Past programs sponsored by the Board have included reflections by the former Secretary of the Treasury Nicholas Brady on the state of the American Economy, a panel discussion on international terrorism, a presentation on the People's Republic of China by Robert Oxnam Jr., President of Asia Foundation, and a dialogue on the 1996 Presidential Election by former New Jersey governors Thomas Kean and Brendan Byrne and chaired by Charles Gibson. Last year the Board of Visitors heard addresses from Jude Wanniski, President of Polyconomics Inc. and Len Coleman, President of the National League of Major League baseball.

Students can pick up application forms and instructions from Lydia Feldman on the first floor of Smith House. Applications must be returned to that office by September 29, 1997. Selections will be made by the University Advisory Panel of the Board of Visitors.

Courageously crossing the border

As you may or may not have been able to tell by now, I don't get out much. This is why, whenever I leave the state, I usually slip into culture shock ("You mean, people here don't

Who, me?



Myles Helfand
Entertainment Editor

call the beach the shore?") and am completely comatose for my entire journey, only to be revived when we finally pull into a non-self-serve gas station.

So you can just imagine what it must have been like for me during my summer vacation, which began with a two-week, four-state jaunt and ended with a trip to Long Island. It was, all in all, a fascinating summer during which I learned many useless things about society and life, which, as is my style, I will now share with you, the useless information-starved public.

In June, I took a week-long trip to New Hampshire, a state best known for the fact that 99 percent of college graduates couldn't locate it on a map with all of the states already labeled. I made a slight mistake in deciding to travel up to New Hampshire by bus. For future reference, it takes about eight hours to get from the Port Authority in New York City to north-central New Hampshire by bus—coincidentally the same amount of time it takes your legs to atrophy and become permanently locked in their sitting position.

Once the police had used the Jaws of Life to remove me from my seat,

however, I was extremely eager to step off of the bus and immediately begin enjoying the natural beauty and relaxation that New Hampshire had to offer. Then I fell asleep.

The rest of my week was an amazingly picturesque experience, in which I took lots of walks, climbed a small mountain, saw flowing rivers, lovely sunsets, hummingbirds, and moose, and realized that 1) unlike in New Jersey, when you top a hill you won't necessarily find suburban housing complexes as far as the eye can see, and 2) unlike in New Jersey, skylines really do exist! For some reason it's a very different experience when you see the red sun

slip slowly behind a mountain-top rather than behind Uncle Fred's condominium with the newly reshingled rooftop. After my stay in rural New Hampshire, I stopped in a small town in Maine for a couple days. There I was treated to lovely views of lakes, trees, and winding roads, and a convenience store which carried—and I'm not kidding about this—over two dozen different varieties of beef jerky. I think this explains a lot about the type of people you often come across in this area.

Shortly after returning from my trip up north (by car, thankfully) I was brought to a large town in Maryland called Bethesda for a weekend. Suburban Maryland has all sorts of cool things which most large towns

in our area don't, including legal U-turns, fresher air, and grass.

When my two weeks of traveling were all said and done, I'd spent a total of one full day in transit and was walking like John Wayne. But I enjoyed myself immensely, so any permanent physical damage I may have incurred was definitely worth it.

Then came July.

In August, I went with a bunch of friends to a Jewel concert over at Jones Beach. Admittedly, I haven't been to many concerts in my short life, but I think I've seen enough to make the valid conclusion that, when you squish a couple hundred hormonally-gifted, lovestruck men into an outdoor arena with a few thousand teenagers in the last week of their summer breaks, odds are you're not going to end up with the World War II Think Tank.

In fact, what you get is something roughly resembling the storming of the Bastille, only without the cutting off of people's heads and with everyone sitting down: as in any organized mob, everybody's IQ automatically drops to the lowest common denominator, which in this case would be that of Cookie Monster. This results in people much like the ones who were sitting near us:

• The Chain Smoker: Not too



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Investigating the Wonderful World of Pinball

Alison Levy
Staff Writer

"You pull back the plunger and let your fingers slip off the knob in one quick motion. Suddenly all of your senses are entertained. The music embraces your ears. Your eyes shift, carefully watching the silver ball duck in and out of danger as the lights illuminate your face. Hips swivel and feet tap nervously while your fingers pound on the flippers, capturing the ball just before it rolls down the middle where no luck or skill can bring it back. Like a drug addict, pinball is fed with quarters, one after another with the promise of a good time ahead. Since the invention of pinball in the 1930s, it has captured the hearts of millions around the world."

—Jessica Schram and Laura Kang, NYU School of Journalism graduates

It all started with *bagatelle*, an 18th century parlor game for French nobility. Originally a countertop game, it included a small cue that was used as a pusher to shoot balls into holes on an inclined playfield. French soldiers brought their *bagatelles* with them when they crossed the Atlantic in the early 1780s to aid the American colonists in their revolution. As the settlers moved across the country, the long tables ended up in stagecoach stops,

inns, and taverns. Later, English immigrant Montague Redgrave added a spring shooter, playfield features, sound, and faster play.

During the Great Depression, demand for low-cost entertainment escalated—however, the \$175 price tag for the game was often too steep to play.

It was under these circumstances that Chicago resident David Gottlieb scored big when he created "Battle Ball," a colorful marble game at a low price—seven balls per penny. A national phenomenon had begun.

"Battle Ball's" success led to the creation of the offshoot, "Ballyhoo," which sold over 75,000 units within seven months during the Great Depression, establishing Chicago as the "pinball capital of the world."

Shortly afterwards, designer Harry Williams introduced the "tilt" feature, in which a ball placed on top of a pedestal within the machine, when disturbed, would fall onto a metal ring and cease play. The introduction of electrical circuitry in 1933 allowed for the creation of lights and backglass in 1934 and 1937, respectively. The Bally company (spawned from the game "Ballyhoo") introduced the bumper, a feature which increases the player's score when the ball hits it.

During World War II, game production dwindled because the mate-

rials were needed for war, resulting in the need for avid players to give their games makeovers themselves (not on the Jenny Jones show). After the war ended, D. Gottlieb & Co. invented the flipper bumper, which they placed on their new game, "Humpty Dumpty."

The flippers were moved to the bottom of the machine and given power in the late '40s. After the addition of this interactive feature to the game, it had finally become one of skill as well as luck. This is what made the decade of 1948 to 1958 the "Golden Age of Pinball." The explosion in the game's popularity brought about a great amount of competition among machine producers, and pinball's evolution took off.

In the 1950s, metal replaced wooden side paneling and legs in an effort to add durability, and the digital scoring system was introduced, replacing the old light bulb scoring meter. The 1960s brought the "add-a-ball" feature, in which additional money entered in the machine could extend the length of a person's game. Then, in 1969, pinball's emergence into the public sector was completed when The Who released the world's first rock opera about a pinball wizard named Tommy. Popularity shot even higher when the album was made into a movie in 1975.

Despite the game's popularity, all of this flipper action had been going on illegally. In 1942, pinball was outlawed in New York, Los Angeles, and its birthplace of Chicago as a form of gambling—the machines produced in the mid-1930s promised payouts to high-scoring players with redeemable credits from the operator. The ban lasted for 32 years, until Roger Sharpe of Chicago testified before the New York City Council in April 1976. He successfully demonstrated to the Council that pinball was not so much a game of luck as it was one of skill, and the ban was lifted.

Video games' relatively recent introduction into the entertainment scene has since reduced pinball's share of the arcade room to a scant 5 percent. However, just as past competition had done, the new rival has only served to aid pinball's evolution: the '90s have proven that pinball can stand on its own.

I personally feel that pinball games are successful, thrilling, and entertaining due their many features, interesting gadgets, visual appeal, and well-carried out themes. I endorse and recommend the following: "Indiana Jones," "Tommy" (if you can find it), "Addams Family," and "Lost World." "Twilight Zone" may be one of the greatest pinball games ever created, in my opinion. Drew's new "Medieval Madness" (located in the University Center arcade room) is full of mirth and is quite entertaining—when those trolls behave themselves.

Pinbonics

(definitions based on the web page "The R.C.P. Game-Playing Tips List," at <http://www.riztorid.us/pinball/>)

Catch: When you hold the ball in place with a flipper.

Outlane: Two lanes at the bottom of the machine which lead to the drain area.

Drain: When you lose a ball.

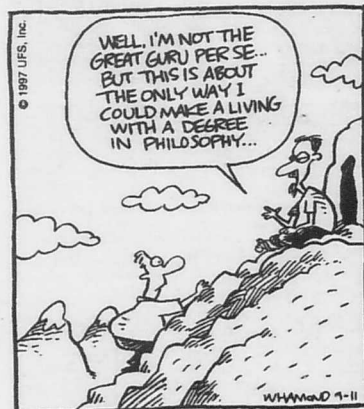
Inlane (or return lane): One of the two lanes near the bottom of the machine which return the ball to the flippers.

Tilt: Happens when machine is shaken too hard. Usually, a game allows a couple tilts before a...

Slam: A form of tilting which immediately forfeits the game.

Outtote: The area below the flippers where lost balls go.

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This week's JUMBLE O' WORDS

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Now unscramble the circled (or ovalled, as the case may be) letters to find this week's

Big Exciting Mystery Thingie:

One of the most annoying sounds to hear in a college dorm at 3 a.m.:

Last issue's jumble went a lot like this:

ORANCO was CORONA
 IOTSC was STIC
 NUECOP was POUNCE
 LOETNS was STOLEN
 ILRFT was FLIRT
 OTTUS was STOUT
 PACSEE was ESCAPE

And the most useful thing you'll ever learn in college is, obviously, PROCRASTINATION.

Last issue's answers:



ACROSS

- 1 Secret agent
- 4 Tardy
- 8 Support
- 12 Bag
- 16 Director Woody —
- 18 Before long
- 19 Son of Jacob
- 20 African antelope
- 22 Make a comparison
- 23 Matinee —
- 24 Wicked
- 25 Life's work
- 27 Fontaine's husband
- 28 Indiana city
- 30 Oklahoma city
- 32 Fact
- 34 Comapss pt.
- 35 "Othello" villain
- 36 Say further
- 37 Lock of hair
- 39 Card game
- 40 Pitcher part
- 41 Brussels-based org.
- 43 Goblin
- 45 Ocean movement
- 47 Columnist William —
- 50 "Citizen —"
- 51 Perfume measure
- 53 Bank employee
- 57 Nez — Indians
- 58 Dwell
- 60 Friendship
- 62 Antitoxins
- 63 Actress Mary —

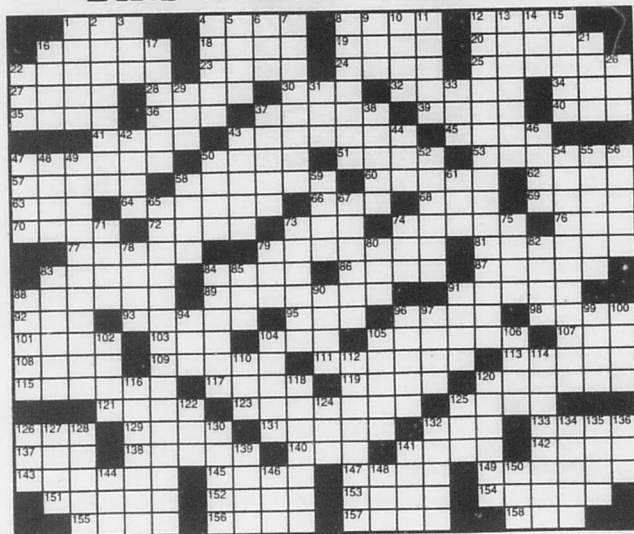
- 64 Aphrodite's love
- 66 "— humbug!"
- 68 Sailor, slangily
- 69 Eager
- 70 Completed
- 72 Evaluate
- 73 Beaver's project
- 74 Ledge
- 76 Dutch commune
- 77 Obscure
- 79 Lofty tower
- 81 Director Hitchcock
- 83 Tennis player Michael —
- 84 In the distance
- 86 Comical
- 87 Is in want of
- 88 Type of test
- 89 Andiron
- 91 Use the rink
- 92 Spanish gold
- 93 Impolite look
- 95 Swindle
- 96 Cotton package
- 98 Give off
- 101 Iraq's neighbor
- 103 Eggs
- 104 DDE's command
- 105 "Little Women" author
- 107 Onassis' nickname
- 108 Trick
- 109 Elevate
- 111 Nautical
- 113 Hamburger garnish
- 115 Large house
- 117 Actress Diana —
- 119 Hawaiian goose
- 120 Nook
- 121 Georgia —
- 123 Infield
- 125 Army vehicle
- 126 Uno's follower
- 129 Chimney deposit
- 131 Turn inside out
- 132 Meadow sound
- 133 Atlanta arena
- 137 Minute colonizer
- 138 Suit material
- 140 Bullfight cheer
- 141 Paving materials
- 142 Den
- 143 Egyptian symbol
- 145 Golda —

- 147 Hospital dept.
- 149 Come into view
- 151 Poetry muse
- 152 Liver spread
- 153 Small amount
- 154 Gentle, poetically
- 155 "— Were Sisters"
- 156 Stepped
- 157 Prayer end
- 158 Indefinite amount

DOWN

- 1 Hurlid
- 2 Like many friendships
- 3 So far
- 4 Scottish landowner
- 5 Commentator Rooney
- 6 Also
- 7 Made bigger
- 8 Gratified
- 9 Gun (the motor)
- 10 Roman poet
- 11 Rice dish
- 12 Linus carries one
- 13 Words on a dessert menu
- 14 Auto
- 15 Prepare to propose?
- 16 Greenish blue
- 17 Nullify
- 21 Lucy's mate
- 22 Inventor Whitney
- 26 Ribbed fabric
- 29 Commotion
- 31 Society newcomer
- 33 Mace lace
- 37 African capital
- 38 Abraham's wife
- 42 Type of code
- 43 Musical Count
- 44 Male sheep
- 46 Famed lioness
- 47 Taler
- 48 Flying prefix
- 49 Brunch entree
- 50 Lanc's co-worcker
- 52 Powerful
- 54 Sleight of hand
- 55 Wears away
- 56 Carried on
- 58 Street
- 59 Abba —
- 61 Foot part
- 65 1989 Matt Dillon film
- 67 South American river
- 71 Actor Jack —
- 73 Straightforward
- 74 Rep's counterpart
- 75 Type of market
- 78 Burden
- 79 Spoil
- 80 Joplin composition
- 82 Honor
- 83 Type of cloud
- 84 Scared
- 85 "Shame on you!"
- 88 French river
- 90 Condemn
- 91 — gin
- 94 Actress Gardner
- 96 Window covering
- 97 Skin problem
- 99 Press —
- 100 Very small
- 102 Tidy
- 104 Weird
- 105 "— we all?"
- 106 Ripped
- 110 Turf
- 112 Eating problem
- 114 Pastry choice
- 116 Having left a will
- 118 Relished
- 120 Stops
- 122 Garden tool
- 124 Alice's boss
- 125 Glass container
- 126 "— Boot"
- 127 A single time
- 128 Onset
- 130 Entice
- 132 Central American Indian
- 134 Ernest Borgnine role
- 135 Close by
- 136 Anger
- 139 Precious
- 141 "Little Man —"
- 144 Stadium cheer
- 146 "How was — know?"
- 148 Computer acronym
- 150 Extinct bird

This week's crossword



Women's tennis welcomes new season, new coach

Amy Yang
Staff Writer

It seemed as though the Drew tennis team had already had its share of losses before the fall season even began.

Losing two starting singles players and one tennis coach, the Rangers should have been experiencing a few pre-season jitters. Not a chance with this team.

With the addition of four up-and-coming freshman players and accomplished tennis instructor/coach Cecilia Lopez-Arnold, the team is off to a solid and promising start, crushing their first rival, Elizabethtown College, 9-0 Saturday.

Next the Rangers stunned their rival and 1996 Mid-Atlantic Conference (MAC) Champion Moravian College in a 5-4 victory.

The tennis team has taken the loss of part of their team in stride and is looking towards the MAC Championships with confidence.

Part of the Rangers' confidence comes from the guidance of the new tennis coach Lopez-Arnold.

An accomplished player herself, Lopez-Arnold plays professionally on the women's

tour, once ranking as high as number 150.

Prior to coaching the Drew team, Lopez-Arnold coached women's tennis at Oak Knoll High School. She also played varsity tennis for four years at Division I University of Kansas.

Impressively, Lopez-Arnold was named an All-American player, a distinction given to only the best college-level players in the country.

Presently, Lopez-Arnold must do her share of schedule shuffling because of her commitments to teaching adult and junior tennis lessons at a West Orange tennis club and activities as a tour player. Despite her hectic schedule, Lopez-Arnold still finds time to be an active coach for the ambitious women on the Drew tennis team.

Daunting as the position of coach may be, Lopez-Arnold is generous in her praise and in her expectations for the team this season.

Although she confesses that she is at a disadvantage because she doesn't know any of the teams or players as a more seasoned coach would, Lopez-Arnold wants to "make each [player] the best possible, whether it's working with them

physically, skillwise, or mentally."

And she means it, because the team has already done its share of running in the first weeks of practice.

Lopez-Arnold adds, "It's a challenge because each [player] is different," but it is a challenge that both she and the players plan to tackle during the season.

If working harder and longer

is what Lopez-Arnold has in mind, no complaints are heard from the women on the tennis team.

Sophomore Lauren Morello said that Lopez-Arnold, "is very good technically, helping us all get in shape to get to conference this year."

Junior captain Mindy Romeo agreed, adding, "Coach is really good at teaching us the proper techniques, which

has really improved our game."

As for Lopez-Arnold's coaching technique, there is no mistaking her enthusiasm and real concern for the players on the team.

Lopez-Arnold is an outstanding player and coach who brings her winning attitude from her own experiences on the tour to the Drew tennis team.

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in the 78th minute, the Ramapo keeper was ejected from the game for taking down Lopez on a breakaway.

Finally, at the 8:43 mark, Bridges received the ball near the opposition's endline. The cross was deflected right to Yeager, who beat the substitute Ramapo keeper to the lower left hand corner of the net. Again the defense handled the rest shutting down Ramapo's offensive. Revenge was theirs with a convincing 2-0 victory.

Wednesday the team travels to New York University. Their next home game will be Sept 24 against cross-town rival Fairleigh Dickinson University on the turf.



ERIK ROBERT SLAGLE

The men's soccer team dominated Ramapo in their 2-0 victory.

Congratulations to Coach Armuth. The two Ranger victories

this weekend gave Armuth a .742 winning percentage, which is the best in school history.

Football Picks: Week Three

As reigning football guru at *The Acorn* by virtue of my victory in last year's picks, I have the honor of writing this year's first column.

We would like to welcome Professor of Political Science Doug Simon to the fray; we are going to feature a different professor's picks every week. We'll see if all those degrees translate into football knowledge.

In addition to me (Derek Ziegler), Editor in Chief John Hwang, Sports Editor Jeanine Columbo along with her Assistant Editors Shannon Higgins and Won Choi, Deputy Chief of Staff Jeff Cromarty, News Editor Fran Lucivero, Entertainment Editor Myles Helfand, Opinions Editor Dave Faris, and Senior Editor Erik Slagle will be picking each week.

It's been an interesting summer for the New York teams. The Jets are looking like they could increase their win total by at least 500 percent this season. New coach Bill Parcells brings Super Bowl experience to a team that won only one game last year.

Meanwhile, the Giants have a new coach in Jim Fassel and a crop of exciting rookies featuring running back Tiki Barber and wide receiver Ike Hilliard.

After opening game victories, though, the Jets and Gi-

ants went down in defeat last weekend, as Neil O'Donnell and Dave Brown looked like they were trying to prove which one is more deserving of the title "NFL's Worst Quarterback."

The Jets lost to Buffalo in a close game, while the Giants were blown out at Jacksonville even though the Jaguars started a third-string quarterback who only knew 50 percent of the playbook. This week, the Jets and Parcells travel to New England to battle Parcells' former team, the Patriots.

This game looks like a mismatch on paper, as the Patriots rolled to easy victories in their first two games. Still, I'm going out on a limb and picking the Jets.

The Patriots are good, but I don't think Drew Bledsoe is going to throw four touchdown passes like he did in each of the first two games. Parcells knows how to motivate a team, and the Jets may lose, but they won't lose by nine points.

The Giants are hosting offensive powerhouse Baltimore this week. The Ravens can score, but their defense is as porous as the plot of *Independence Day*. Luckily for the Ravens, the Giants are perpetually dormant offensively. I'm picking the Giants if for no other reason than they're at

home and star cornerback Phillippi Sparks is back in the lineup.

Fresh off their stirring Monday night win over the Raiders, the Kansas City Chiefs are hosting the Buffalo Bills. For those of you who missed the game, the Chiefs were down by six and had the ball on their own 20 with no timeouts and a minute left but managed to score with two seconds left in the game. This week, Kansas City should beat Buffalo, which is weaker after the retirement of Jim Kelly.

Finally, Monday night we have the Eagles and Cowboys. The Eagles stunned defending Super Bowl champion Green Bay on Sunday, dashing the Packers' hopes of an undefeated season.

Frankly, to go undefeated in this day and age, a team would need more than a little luck — they would need ... well, a lot. Dallas, meanwhile, has rebounded from its usual off-season woes and appears to have reestablished itself as one of the league's premier teams. Of course, the Cowboys lost to Arizona last weekend, so who knows?

In any event, nine points is a big spread, and I see this game as a close one which the Eagles may pull out if quarterback Ty Detmer has a decent game.

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First race for X-Country

Men and women compete at Garret Mountain

Matthew Christian
Staff Writer

On Saturday, the Ranger cross country teams ran their first race at Garret Mountain in Wayne.

The men's team placed third among the Division III competitors with a score of 77 points, and the women's team sped to fourth place with a score of 107 points.

The men had a great meet with two Rangers placing in the top five. Junior Kevin Purcell placed second with a time of 28:30.

Senior Rob Davis was right behind him in third place with a time of 28:41. The next three Rangers came in a tight group with senior Eric Wolff placing 20th at 31:23, sophomore Ed Juarez placing 23rd at 31:51, and junior Amitav Sen placing 30th with a time of 32:24.

The top five finishers on the women's team also ran in a tight group. Senior Kelly Flood was the fastest woman of the day, placing ninth with 21:09.

Coming in behind her was sophomore Hiroko Nagumo, coming in 22nd with a time of 23:34. Freshman Megan Cordes placed 24th with a time of 23:42, and right behind her was junior Maura DiFilippo who finished 25th at 24:08.

The final Ranger who scored for the team was senior Kate Cyr, who placed 38th with a

time of 26:17.

The host of the race, William Paterson University, brought not only good weather to the runners but also a challenging course.

Both the women and the men ran a standard length course of 3.1 and 5 miles respectively, but this was not just an average course.

As would be expected from a cross country meet on a mountain, the terrain was treacherous.

Both teams had to climb a steep hill halfway through their races, but the men's team was forced to climb it again during the last part of the race before the finish line.

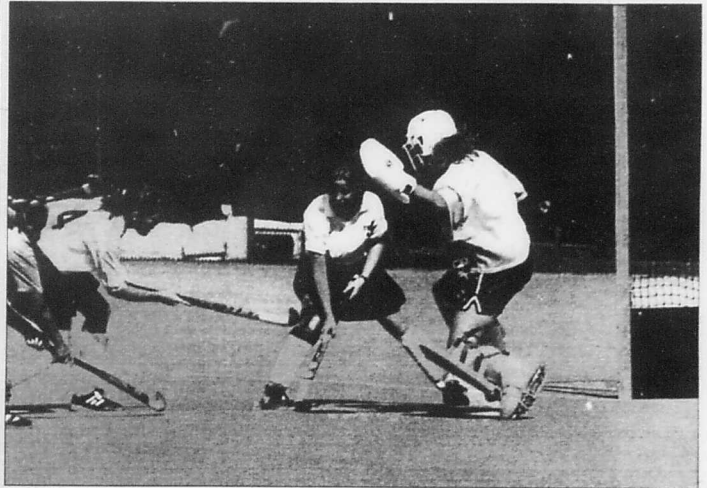
This season, the women's team is looking to improve. After an injury-plagued season last year, their close-to-the-bottom standing has improved.

With help from a strong frontrunner like Flood and fast running overall, they should be able to solidify a good standing this year.

The men's team is also looking very good this year. The team is generating excitement, and its middle runners are hoping to join Purcell and Davis in the top ten at upcoming races.

This Saturday the cross country teams will travel to Lebanon Valley College for another invitational.

This course is much smoother than the one at Garret Mountain, and times should be faster.



SHANNON GOULD

The field hockey team took the championship game 2-0 at last weekend's annual Fall Festival.

HOCKEY

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than 27 minutes to go in the first as junior Monica Bradley smacked home a penalty shot. In the second half, the score jumped to 2-0 after junior Andrea Hanley finished off a Bradley pass with 31 minutes remaining.

The rest was up to the Ranger defense. Anchored by junior goalkeeper Allison Johnson (six saves for the tournament), the defense closed the door on the F&M attack, preserving a third straight shutout

and the Fall Fest title. Much of the credit goes to the tenacious play of sophomore right back Heather-Lyn Mennis, central defender Chapman, and Bradley.

The rest of the defense, which included speedy sophomore left back Julia Wiseman and freshman Courtney Beiser-Riley, excelled as well.

To go along with the team championship, the Rangers featured four players on the Fall Festival All-Tournament Team. These players were Miller (one assist in the tournament), Chapman (two assists), Mennis, and Bradley, who was named tournament most valuable

player. Bradley got it done on both ends of the field, finishing with two goals and two assists on the offensive side and playing inspired field hockey in the defensive half.

"We really came together as a team," Bradley said of the team's success. "I'm really looking forward to the rest of the season."

The Rangers will try to carry the positive momentum from Fall Fest into upcoming games against Jersey rivals Kean College and The College of New Jersey. If the flawless play of the first three games continues, the team can look forward to a winning season.

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Intramurals' new direction

Jessica Bruno
Staff Writer

A new face arrived in the Forest July 28, with anticipation and a mind full of ideas. The face belonged to none other than Drew University's new Director of Intramurals, Recreational Sports, and Wellness Eric Schwarz.

Schwarz came to Drew after sending an application to the athletic department, primarily on a whim.

Schwarz first dabbled in the field of intramurals as an undergraduate student at Plymouth State College in New Hampshire where he began as an official, worked his way up to a supervisor, and eventually became an undergraduate assistant. This was the first time Schwarz was

responsible for the everyday planning of an intramural program.

He then went to Salisbury State University for graduate school, and he expects to complete the dissertation for his doctoral degree in sports management.

Even with all these credentials,

Schwarz found it hard to break into exactly what he wanted to do professionally. He has served as an athletic director and coached various sports in high schools, worked at a YMCA, and assisted at SUNY schools as an events director.

Upon his arrival at Drew, Schwarz began redefining and restructuring the intramural and wellness programs.

One of the first projects he tackled was to develop a program booklet that details the philosophy of



STEVE GARZA

Schwarz has plans for intramurals.

Jamie's football awards

Jamie Hayman
Staff Writer

With two weeks of the NFL season done, there have already been some surprises. Green Bay has lost, Tampa Bay hasn't, and Jacksonville is 2-0 without their star quarterback. Granted, it is still too early to make Super Bowl predictions (the Patriots were 0-2 at this point last year), but it is time to look at some of the big winners and losers of the first two weeks of the NFL season.

Big Winners: Denver and New England. Both teams scored big in their first two games, and they both dominated with stifling defense.

Winners: Miami, Jacksonville, Minnesota, and Tampa Bay. All started 2-0, and all looked impressive.

Losers: Oakland, Atlanta, New Orleans, and Chicago. They all started 0-2 (although Oakland should have won), and none of them played particularly well.

Big Losers: Seattle and Indianapolis. Indy's offense is awful (16 points scored); the Seahawks' defense is worse (76 points allowed).

New Coaching Winners: Pete Carroll, Patriots; Bill Parcells, Jets. Hey, the Jets already equaled their win total from last year. The Patriots have just been dominant in their first two games.

New Coaching Losers: Mike Ditka, New Orleans. Why would anyone leave NBC to coach the Saints?

Upset of the Week: Eagles-10, Packers-9. So much for 19-0.

Joe Montana Award: Elvis Grbac with the winning drive in under a minute and no timeouts.

OOOPS! Award: Paul Allen, Owner of the Seattle Seahawks; He can only be asking "Why on earth did I buy this team?"

In Your Face Award: Jim Everett, San Diego Chargers. Beat the team that let him go (New Orleans).

Yes, it is still early, but Drew Bledsoe is the clear frontrunner for MVP (8 TD's, 0 INT's), Warrick Dunn is a frontrunner for Rookie of the Year, and Tony Dunne for Coach of the Year. Just a thought, but isn't it strange that Tampa Bay seems to stand as good a chance as San Francisco to make the playoffs?

Hey, Steve Young, **RETIRE ALREADY.** You're getting old, you don't have Jerry Rice, and the 49ers are not going to win the Super Bowl again any time soon. Your offensive line stinks, and why risk permanent brain damage to stay on a sinking ship?

Baseball owners vote on realignment next week. For the long-term sake of baseball, let's hope there is nothing radical.

The sports world lost a beloved and respected public figure last Tuesday with the passing of Richie Ashburn. Not only a great centerfielder, he was also a great announcer for the Philadelphia Phillies. A true ambassador of the game of baseball, he will be sorely missed on and off the field.

Ryan, our prayers are with you on your road to recovery. If you need anything soon, do not hesitate to ask. Get well soon, and take back your column.

Intramural Schedule of Events

	Registration deadline	Captain's Mtg	Play begins
Table Tennis	Sept. 16	Sept. 17 @ 7 p.m.	Sept. 18
Tennis Singles	Sept. 16	Sept. 17 @ 8 p.m.	Sept. 19
6 vs.6 Volleyball	Sept. 17	Sept. 18 @ 7 p.m.	Sept. 22
Bowling	Sept. 17	Sept. 18 @ 8 p.m.	Sept. 26

Look for more information on upcoming events including the first Intramural Fall Golf Classic in *The Acorn*. For more information call the intramural office @ x 3444.

the programs, general information, policies, and schedules. With the help of Manager of Residence Life Andrew Steiner, these booklets were placed in all freshman orientation packets and in all rooms on campus.

Schwarz has also implemented a new policy for the use of the fitness and free weight room. Instead of viewing a video, prospective weight room users will go on a guided tour that provides a full explanation of all of the machines and the proper way to use them.

Schwarz has many new ideas for

the year, such as creating a web page that would enable students to register their teams and check standings and other information online. He also is looking to place a page each week in the sports section of *The Acorn* for publicity.

The intramural leagues have increased from 14 last year to 27 this year, all resulting from Schwarz's efforts. As usual, the champions will receive T-shirts.

However, this year the staff and officials will receive T-shirts as well (an added bonus for those who have to take the heat when

making the calls).

Schwarz is excited about the upcoming year and feels right at home here in the Forest. "The overall family-like atmosphere was very evident the minute I walked in the door, he said. "I think it's a great advantage to the students having such a young staff to work with since they aren't that far removed from the college experience."

If all goes as he hopes, the intramural program will have at least half of the student population involved in at least one sport and all 27 programs will run smoothly.

Women's soccer off to a winning start

Jeremy Maisto
Staff Writer

The women's soccer team is off to a perfect start this season having won its first four games, none in front of a home crowd.

Two goals by junior Christy Geraci ensured a comfortable 2-0 victory over Division I team Drexel University. The Drew women then went on to beat rival William Patterson University 2-1, with junior Angie Polito and freshman Liz Jewett grabbing Drew's goals.

Polito, assisted by senior co-captain Alissa Drasch, netted again during Drew's 2-1 victory at Messiah College last Saturday. Drasch scored the second goal three minutes from the final whistle, shooting from 20 yards out.

The impressive start to the season continued Tuesday as the Rangers beat Beaver College in Pennsylvania. Senior Cecilia Gaspar scored the only goal of the game with an assist from junior Cary McNeely.

Standing at 4-0, the team now is looking forward to its first home game of the season against Elizabethtown College. The last time the teams met was during last year's Mid-Atlantic Conference (MAC) Championship game, when the Rangers were defeated 7-1.

"The result didn't reflect

[Drew's] ability," Coach Christa Racine said.

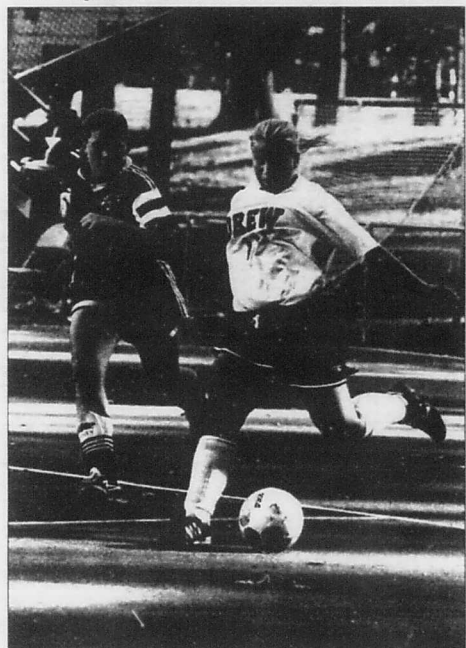
Although Drew's overall record against Elizabethtown stands at a depressing 1-9, the Rangers will have the advantage of home territory, where they were undefeated last season.

As for the rest of the season, Racine does not see why the team could not go a step further than last year and advance to the NAAs. "We have a good shot," she says.

The Rangers are without all-

time points and goals leader Meredith Doll, who graduated last year, but Racine feels the team can carry on scoring through Polito and Drasch. Also, "the team is deeper this year," Racine said, allowing tactical flexibility and more responsiveness to injuries.

Racine is even more confident about the future of the team with three freshmen starters. The combination of the new players and the return of experienced upperclassmen has led the team to a victorious start.



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The women's soccer team will host Elizabethtown College Saturday.

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Women's tennis starts undefeated

Rangers record 9-0 shutout over rival Elizabethtown

Brian Kish

Staff Writer

Despite a respectable 11-5 record last season, the women's tennis team had expected to do better than they did. This year, the have shown signs of improvement. They are currently 2-0, undefeated in the Mid-At-

lantic Conference (MAC), with wins over Elizabethtown and Moravian Colleges.

Last Saturday, the team defeated Elizabethtown 9-0. Even more significant was Tuesday's 5-4 victory over Moravian. Last year, Moravian defeated Drew 7-2.

First singles player, sopho-

more Brecken Durham, led the Rangers to the victory over Moravian by winning both of her matches.

In singles action, she beat Moravian's Lynne Grzywacz by a 6-2, 6-4 score. Durham teamed with junior Mindy Romeo to win at the first doubles position with a 6-4, 6-1 score.

This clinched the victory for Drew. Also winning for the Rangers were junior Melissa Tooley, 7-6, (7-4), 6-4 at fourth singles, freshman Amy Yang, 4-6, 6-4, 6-2, at fifth singles, and freshman Amy McNeece, 7-6, (7-4), 6-4 at the sixth singles position.

This hard-fought victory helped to build the confidence of an impressive women's team.

The team is led by the instruction of first-year coach Cecilia Lopez-Arnold who says that her "expectations are always to improve and become better."

While happy about the team's first win, Arnold was more pleased with the team's attitude during its 9-0 win over Elizabethtown than with the shutout score.

Arnold also said that she hopes her team will learn to play a more offensive game in spite of the pressure.

This week, the team will be playing tough matches against Wilkes University, SUNY-New Paltz, cross town rival Fairleigh Dickinson University, and Vassar College.

With two early victories under its belt, the women's tennis team is looking forward to another winning season.



SHANNON GOULD

The women's tennis team dominated Elizabethtown Saturday.

Ranger of the week

Marvin Lopez

Marvin Lopez broke two Drew soccer records in Sunday's game against Swarthmore College. Lopez, only a junior, broke the tie he was in for fifth place for most goals scored in Drew history. This record was set in 1982 by Ares Michaelides. Lopez is also tied with Michaelides for the fifth place in total career points.

"I feel very happy about these records," Lopez said. "I think it wouldn't have happened if it wasn't for my teammates because they've been a lot of help. Without them, I don't think I'd be the player that I am now."

According to men's soccer coach Lenny Armuth, "Marvin is an excellent finisher. He scores goals around the 18-yard box. He's a very dangerous player who scores on a lot of half chances. He's quick with his deadly left foot. Marvin is an intelligent player because he understands what he needs to do with or without the ball. On the field everybody knows who Marvin is."

As a notorious opponent, Lopez doesn't let the stress that comes with the territory of excelling in a sport alter his game. "It puts a lot of pressure on me in terms of having to perform in a certain way because people set expectations for me to meet, but it doesn't really affect me at

all. When I'm on the field I'm just another Drew soccer player," Lopez said.



STEVE GARZA

Lopez broke two Ranger records.

man and sophomore years at Drew. During the Fall Festival held on campus this past weekend, Lopez was named, along with six other Drew players, to the all-tournament team.

Needing only four goals to move into a tie for third place on the goals scored list and only four more points to move into a tie for fourth place on the points scored list, Lopez doesn't go into a game with any expectations. "I take it game by game. My goal is just to win another game and keep the winning streak going," he said.

The Rangers have started the season with a 3-0 record, and Armuth believes the team is equipped with some very good and experienced players.

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Rangers get revenge: Men's soccer wins annual Fall Festival, then gets payback against Ramapo

Gary Anderson
Staff Writer

The Drew men's soccer team began its season on home turf with three home games during the past week. Saturday and Sunday, the Rangers hosted the annual Drew Fall Festival. Their first game of the festival and of the season was against Skidmore College.

Drew came out strong and was ahead 2-0 by halftime. Junior Jason Bono and sophomore Chad Bridges both scored on assists by junior Randy Holmeen.

Coach Lenny Armuth credited the fast start to a lack of competition during the pre-season.

"We hadn't played against anyone except ourselves, and the guys were really anxious to play," Armuth said. "We were really focused. The first half was the best 45 minutes we have played since I have been at Drew."

The Drew defense dominated the second half, holding Skidmore to only three shots in the match and preserving the 2-0 shutout.

Swarthmore College was victim to an equally focused Drew side on Sunday. "We were really on top of our game," Holmeen said. "Swarthmore isn't in our region. It was important that we beat them (soundly) because they play some of the top teams in their region."

The Rangers jumped all over Swarthmore in the first half, scoring an impressive six goals. Junior Marvin Lopez and Holmeen led the charge with two goals apiece. Seniors Pat Fannon and Chris Renner also scored.

Bridges scored his second goal in two days early in the second half. Junior Pat O'Reilly, Holmeen, Bridges, and junior Trevor Scheff all had assists, and junior keeper

Andy Napoli, rang up another shut out.

When the damage was done, Armuth commented on the 7-0 win: "Our defense played great. One thing we have really been emphasizing is our defense and unselfish play."

Obviously, with two convincing shutouts and eight different Rangers in the scoring column, the team accomplished these goals. Holmeen, Sophomore Ed Hilt, Lopez, Fannon, and Bridges were all named to the all tournament team. Holmeen and Hilt were named offensive and defensive MVPs, respectively.

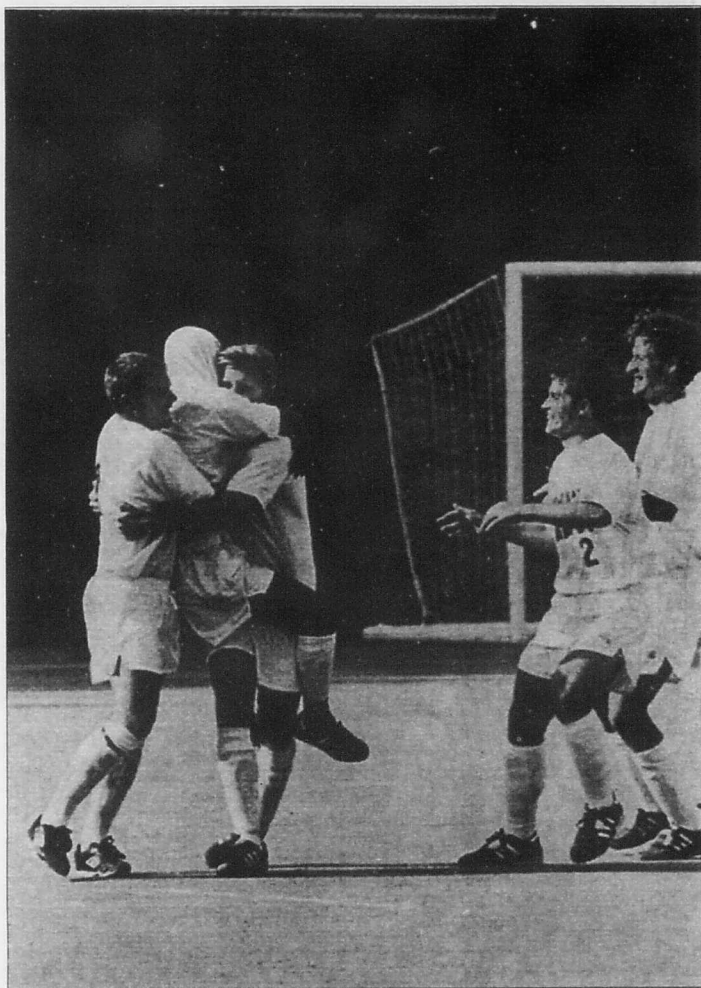
The Rangers returned to the turf Wednesday night to face Ramapo College, the team that, as many Ranger fans remember, knocked Drew out of the Eastern College Athletic Conference (ECAC) tournament in the semifinals last November.

When Holmeen was asked what the Rangers were after in the game, his answer was no surprise. "Revenge, revenge, revenge. That's what we want. I want their heads on a platter."

Dinner was served. Although they struggled to maintain possession in the early minutes of the game, Drew began to take charge of the ball ten minutes into the game. Then, at the three minute mark, Lopez took advantage of a Ramapo defensive miscue by settling an errant header and neatly beating the keeper to the far post. With a 1-0 lead and an energized crowd on their side, the Ranger defense was able to stifle the Ramapo attack for the remainder of the half.

Drew continued to control the ball in the second half. Tough midfield play by junior Chris Yeager was especially notable. The Ramapo goal eluded the Rangers for most of the half, though. O'Reilly and Bridges narrowly missed on good scoring opportunities and.

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ERIK ROBERT SLAGLE

Marvin Lopez is surrounded by his Ranger teammates after he scores one of his two goals against Swarthmore.

Upcoming home games

Saturday, Sept. 13

Women's soccer vs. Elizabethtown @ 2 p.m.

Tuesday, Sept. 16

Field hockey vs. College of NJ @ 7 p.m.

Wednesday, Sept. 17

Women's tennis vs. Vassar @ 4 p.m.

Field hockey dominates competition

Dan Jamieson
Staff Writer

The Ranger field hockey team began its '97 campaign by proving that it is a team to be reckoned with, after a strong performance in this past weekend's Drew Fall Festival on the turf.

The Rangers handily defeated Cabrini College 4-0 in the opening match Saturday, then won a hard-fought 2-0 victory over Franklin and Marshall College in Sunday's final. The tournament win improved the

team's overall record to 3-0.

The game against Cabrini started out tight, and although Drew placed heavy pressure on the Cabrini net, they held only a 1-0 lead at the half, a freshman phenom Duffy Connolly connected off junior Kate Coghlan's pass with just under 21 minutes to go in the first stanza for her first career goal. The Rangers would break the match wide open in the second half.

Coghlan finished a nice feed from junior Monica Bradley with about 27 minutes remain-

ing, creating a 2-0 Drew advantage. Six minutes later it became 3-0 when Bradley scored on a blistering shot from the top of the circle with senior captain Kendra Miller and junior Kate Chapman assisting.

Coghlan capped it off with her second goal of the afternoon from Chapman, making the final tally 4-0.

The championship game against F&M was highlighted by an early Drew goal in each half.

The first goal came with less
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